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Dear

Many thanks for your letter of 21 March. It is extremely helpful to have occasional informal exchange like this and I am rather hoping that you will feel free to drop me a line from time to time on any matters that don't deserve the highlight of official communications or which you may regard as personally sensitive.

By the time you receive this you should have had our cable concerning replacement. We wanted to give you an element or choice and, realizing you know both candidates, felt that you would be in the best position to match the girl with the job.

In connection with your correspondence to Headquarters, let me make a recommendation. I believe over the long haul you will find it to your advantage to communicate with a single point in the Directorate on all matters except those which you may wish to bring to Dr. Wheelon's personal attention. This would, in effect, provide you with a point of contact who you could hold responsible in case you were not getting the service required by your operational needs. If you have no objection, I propose that you address all your communications to me. I will then utilize the services of the staff and task the offices, as required, on your behalf. I believe this should include your communications in the JACKSON program, and I have discussed this recommendation with Jim Cunningham, who has no objection.

So far as this office is concerned, you may be interested in knowing that the base and

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has been replaced by appointed to the Job and will be phasing out of Action Staff around the first of June in preparation for his departure in late August. The completely tasked these days with programming and budgeting cycles.

alerted you to Bud's intention to travel to 25X1C various points of interest between 20 April and 4 May. Undoubtedly this will mean a great deal of work for you, but we will do our best to keep you rapidly and accurately informed as the details of the trip shape up.

In the meantime, please accept my very best wishes for your continued success in your very interesting and important assignment.

Sincerely,

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